

#### **MINUTES**

# SUNNYVALE SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION December 17, 2012

The Sustainability Commission met in regular session in the West Conference Room at 7:00 p.m. with Vice Chair Srivastava presiding.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

## **Commission Members Present:**

Commission Vice Chair Srivastava Commissioner Barbara Fukumoto Commissioner Andy Frazer Commissioner Gerry Glaser Commissioner Dan Hafeman

## **Commission Members Absent:**

Commission Chair Sue Harrison (excused)
Commissioner Joe Green-Heffern (excused)

Council Liaison: Councilmember Jim Davis (present)

**Staff Present:** Melody Tovar, Regulatory Division Manager

Dustin Clark, Sustainability Coordinator, Staff Liaison

**Guest:** Councilmember Tara Martin-Milius

# SCHEDULED PRESENTATION

None

## **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Vice Chair Srivastava opened the public hearing to public announcements.

There were no announcements.

Vice Chair Srivastava closed the public hearing.

# **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1.A. Approval of draft minutes of Sustainability Commission meeting of October 15, 2012.

Commissioner Hafeman moved and Commissioner Fukumoto seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of November 19, 2012.

**VOTE:** 5-0 (Vote was unanimous. Commissioners Harrison and Green-Heffern absent)

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Vice Chair Srivastava opened the public hearing to public comments.

There were no comments.

Vice Chair Srivastava closed the public hearing.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS**

1. ACTION: Annual Review of the Code of Ethic and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials

Commissioner Glaser commented that in regard to an appointed official's ability to initiate a discussion with staff, Commissioner Glaser believes that a discussion should be able to be initiated with the staff liaison, who would then relay the request to the City Manager, rather than bother the City Manager directly.

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There were no announcements.

Vice Chair Srivastava closed the public hearing.

## **NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS**

# Commissioner Oral Comments

Commissioners Glaser, Srivastava and Frazer provided the Commission an update on the CCA Subcommittee's efforts. Staff will include the CCA Subcommittee as an ongoing item on the agenda.

Commissioner Fukumoto discussed EPA webinars that she attended including information on public support polling data for climate and energy policies.

Commissioner Srivastava commented that the EPS ban and Parking Study issues will be going to Council tomorrow evening, December 18.

Commissioner Fukumoto inquired whether there is the ability for the Commission to receive public correspondence regarding sustainability issues.

Commissioner Fukumoto noted that establishing a set of key sustainability indicators had long been a goal of some members of the Commission and asked that the Commission place a discussion of potential sustainability indicators on a future agenda.

Commissioner Glaser expressed interest in further involving volunteers in researching and/or advancing sustainability elements.

Commissioner Frazer commented that he was impressed by the results of the plastic bag ban as seen in the December 13 edition of the City Manager's Biweekly Report.

# Staff Comments

Sustainability Coordinator Clark discussed a presentation and report provided by a group of Stanford Public Policy students regarding the Sunnyvale Energy Enterprise Development Zone (SEEDZ) project in the Moffett Park area. The report discussed the impacts of failed Community Solar legislation and recommendations for moving the SEEDZ project forward in the absence of enabling legislation.

Regulatory Programs Division Manager Tovar informed the Commission about a recent meeting of the Recycled Water Joint Policy Committee. The Committee includes Councilmembers Martin-Milius and Griffith and representatives from the Santa Clara Valley Water District. Discussions continue regarding expanding the recycled water system, including the prospect of service to the future Apple campus in Cupertino.

## **INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dustin Clark, Environmental Sustainability Coordinator

Reviewed by: John Stufflebean, Director of Environmental Services Melody Tovar, Regulatory Programs Division Manager